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*with Reports of the Twelve Welfare Districts*



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Honorable Charley E. Johns  
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Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to present herewith the annual report of the State Welfare Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954.

Through the cooperation of you and your office, members of the cabinet and the entire administration, the Legislature, members of the twelve district boards, a loyal and effective staff, all interested in providing for the needy of Florida, the services described in this report have been made possible.

Respectfully submitted,

*C. O. Andrews Jr.*

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## A YEAR OF EXPANSION

The fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, has been one notable for its changes. It has seen a greatly expanded program in the number of persons aided, in a dollar-and-cents expenditure, and in a general over-all liberalization of policies.

Legislative action was responsible for most, but not all, of these changes. While it increased the maximum grant to \$60, or \$5 over the maximum federal allowance, it also strengthened that part of the law having to do with fraud, so that its intent was clear - to increase help for the needy but to make it mandatory that those not in need be disassociated from support by the public. It specifically encouraged recipients to grow produce for their own needs without having that produce taken into consideration when budgetary requirements were established. It lifted the limitation on salaries and increased the appropriation for administration, thus allowing the department to get in line more adequately with salaries paid by other agencies and by business for comparable jobs. It provided for a new categorical program of Aid to the Totally and Permanently Disabled. An adverse supreme court decision as to the funds appropriated has prevented the department from putting this program into effect. The department, through its State Welfare Board, has also instituted a liberalization of policies, and only the lack of finances prevents further steps in this direction.

### THERE ARE MORE OLDER FOLK

As to expansion - applications for assistance have increased in all categories but especially in that of old age. While it is known that the percentage of population 65 years of age and older is increasing greatly, it is also realized that, percentagewise, Florida is getting more older people from other states than is any other state in the union. Many factors are undoubtedly responsible. Topping the list is the desire to take advantage of our climate, with a resultant lowering of living costs - the need of less clothing and fuel in the winter months. While these older people have ample means of support at the time of coming to Florida, extended periods of sickness, loss of investments, and other circumstances are causing better than one hundred, who have just met Florida's legal residence requirements, to apply monthly to the state for Old Age Assistance. A survey is being run by the department, to be completed and compiled next January, which will shed accurate light on this factor. At any rate, future legislatures will have to take this into consideration. While Florida has not experienced any economic recession, such as is reported from industrial sections, it is certainly true that economic conditions elsewhere are also partly responsible for this increase in applications for public assistance.

In this connection, all caseloads, with the exception of that for the blind, increased during the past year. In the latter instance many, who were receiving Aid to the Blind and who could qualify for Old Age Assistance, have transferred to the latter to take advantage of the \$60 maximum offered.



### APPLICATIONS INCREASE SHARPLY

The increase of requests for assistance is indicated in the applications for Old Age Assistance - 16,887, or nearly 2,000 more than during the previous year. June 30th saw 68,553 receiving assistance, or 1,520 more than were receiving assistance a year previously. The average grant was \$46.03 as against \$43.36 a year ago. Approximately one-third of all those getting assistance in this category were drawing over the federal maximum of \$55. One-fourth were getting the maximum of \$60. There is no federal participation in that part of the grant above the federal maximum.

For Aid to Dependent Children it was a similar story. The number of applications increased from 1,417 to 12,204; the caseload, from 47,623 to 51,902 children.

While applications for Aid to the Blind increased slightly; the caseload, as before explained, declined 182, or from 3,098 to 2,916. The average grant increased slightly.

Monetarily approximately \$53,000,000 was expended during the year in the form of grants, with approximately 67 percent represented by federal funds. This is an overall percentage increase of 9.18 over the preceding year, with 9.94 for Old Age Assistance, 8.26 for Aid to Dependent Children, and less than one for Aid to the Blind.

### MORE COMMODITIES

Another increase, but on the other side of the ledger, was found in the distribution of surplus commodities furnished by the federal government. The amount was better than double that of the preceding year and in dollars and cents totaled \$3,719,826.23, - all this at no increase in administrative cost.

Approximately 281 carloads of commodities were received and distributed, as follows:

<u>Type of Institution</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Persons Benefitted</u>
Schools	1,011	313,708
Charitable Institutions	54	4,017
State Institutions	11	11,710
Summer Camps	13	1,706

It is interesting to note that a reasonable part of these commodities were grown and processed in Florida. Included were orange concentrate, grapefruit sections, honey, and canned beef and gravy.

### FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

All has not been clear sailing with the department during the fiscal year. It has been beset with problems. The most serious has had to do with finances.

Through no fault of its own the legislature increased the limit for Old Age Assistance without increasing the appropriation therefor. As a consequence this factor, plus the greatly increased number of applications for assistance, threw all reckonings out the window. An early estimated shortage of \$350,000 for Old Age Assistance grew into \$500,000 by the end of the fiscal year, and only the action of Acting Governor Charley E. Johns and all the members of the State Cabinet allowed the department to meet all of its obligations June 30th. They approved the loan or advance of that sum from the Governor's emergency fund, with the approval of the State Budget Commission.

To continue the program on its present level and to provide for any contingent increase, the legislature, through its president-elect, Hon. W. Turner Davis of Madison, and its speaker-designate, Hon. Ted David of Hollywood, appointed a committee from the senate and the house to meet with the State Welfare Board and the Acting Governor prior to adoption of its budget for the present fiscal year.

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

For the senate the committee was composed of Hon. Woodrow Melvin of Milton, Hon. Ed Baker of Umatilla, Hon. Merrill P. Barber of Vero Beach, Hon. J. B. Rodgers, Jr., of Winter Garden, and Hon. Wilson Carraway of Tallahassee. For the house, Speaker-Designate Ted David appeared with his specially appointed committee, composed of Hon. Volte Williams of Sanford, Hon. S. C. Smith of Arcadia, Hon. Prentice P. Pruitt of Monticello, Hon. David C. Jones, Jr., of Naples, and Hon. J. A. "Tar" Boyd of Leesburg.

#### RESOLUTION IS DRAWN

These committees presented the following resolution to the State Welfare Board, with Acting Governor Charley E. Johns and members of the cabinet sitting as the State Budget Commission.

WHEREAS, because of a deficit in funds, members of the Legislature have previously requested release of \$500,000.00 by the State Budget Commission from the emergency fund to the Welfare Board, and pledged a deficiency appropriation in 1955 to repay said sum, and

WHEREAS, a further deficit exists in the funds administered by said Board but sufficient funds exist to continue the State's welfare program in full operation through the month of April, 1955, when the Legislature will be then in session and will meet any deficit with adequate appropriations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of a special Senate and special House Committees, meeting in joint session, that the members of the State Budget Commission be and they are hereby requested to release, as requested by the State Welfare Board, all of the funds appropriated for its use.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these two Committees recommend to the 1955 session of the Legislature the enactment of a deficiency appropriation in April, 1955, to fully discharge such deficit as may then exist in Old Age Assistance funds as a result of the continuation of the present schedule of Old Age Assistance payments, and to repay, if found to be necessary, advances made from the emergency fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Committees recommend to the 1955 Legislature that the Welfare Board be permitted to transfer surplus funds from one item to another item when a deficit may exist in the Old Age Assistance program.

#### A TRUE COPY

/s/ Merrill P. Barber  
Secretary of Senate Committee

/s/ Prentice P. Pruitt  
Secretary of House Committee

#### NEED DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

While it is too early for accurate prediction, it is expected that, to carry on the program as is, the legislature will be asked to approve the transfer of unexpended funds of \$124,000 and \$943,000 in the Aid to the Blind and the Aid to Dependent Children appropriations, respectively, as well as to vote a million dollar emergency appropriation for the Old Age Assistance program. Half the latter amount would be repaid to the governor's emergency fund.

#### PROBLEMS OF PERSONNEL

Staffing the department has remained an urgent problem because funds allocated for administration of the program have been insufficient to provide adequate salaries or additional staff to carry the increasing caseloads. In addition to the salaries, which are generally lower than those of other agencies and other welfare agencies, a major difficulty is the national shortage of social workers with training and experience who can assume supervisory and administrative positions.

While a small salary increase was made effective July 1, 1953, it was necessary to keep some badly needed positions vacant in order to make the increases. That the salary increase was too small to affect personnel turnover materially is illustrated by the separation rate, which, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, was 27.12, and declined only to 26.67 during the year ending June 30, 1954. Personnel turnover means less effective service to people as well as waste in administration.

Increasing caseloads carried by workers in the field have become so heavy that the demands upon the individual worker are too great to allow the kind of in-

dividualized attention that people in trouble should have.

While there is no way in which the staffing problem can be solved during the current biennium under the present budget, it is anticipated that the budget request for 1955 - 1957 will include sufficient amounts for increased staff and salaries to enable the department to give maximum service to people and at the same time to safeguard the taxpayer.

#### CLOSE RAPPORT OF BOARDS

During the year the State Welfare Board has met on two occasions with Acting Governor Johns and in Miami, Tallahassee, Orlando, and Fort Lauderdale, where it held some of its monthly sessions, it has been joined by members of the respective district boards. The State Board has not adopted any policy without first having consulted and received the opinion of the district welfare boards. The state and district boards present a united front in their desire to administer the huge program with efficiency, economy, and a common sense approach to all of its day-to-day problems.

Under the Board, the program met an emergency of personnel by accepting the resignation of the director, the assistant director, and the informational representative. For half the year the program was administered by Frank M. Craft, head of finance and accounts, and Miss Frances Davis, head of child welfare, doubling up as acting director and assistant director, respectively. In February of this year the Board appointed a state director and in the same month abolished the position of assistant director, thus saving the department better than \$1,000 a month in administrative expense. The office of informational representative has not been filled - a saving of another considerable amount.

Because of a shortage of administrative funds, it has not been possible to fill some posts in the state office which would provide more help for the various district offices and thus insure uniform administrative policies, state-wide.

#### NEED TO STRESS REHABILITATION

For the same reason sufficient staff has not been available to stress a rehabilitation program of real case work. With visitors in most instances having a caseload of approximately 300 in Old Age Assistance, it is apparent that personal and individualized attention cannot be rendered. A larger staff, with its resultant smaller caseload, would be of benefit to the recipient and the taxpayer, in that it would allow greater latitude for rehabilitation counseling and for emphasizing the importance of helping many to become self supporting.

#### PARTICIPATION AND COOPERATION

The department has participated in national conferences having to do with farm migrants and juvenile delinquency. It has, through its staff, taken part in various state studies and conferences considering welfare problems. It has cooperated to the fullest extent with other state agencies and, in return, has received

every courtesy and cooperation that could be desired.

### PROBLEM OF HOUSING

Suitable quarters for the agency over the state are at a premium. In only one district, at DeFuniak Springs, is there a state-owned building to house the agency. This was purchased for \$25,000, to be paid out on a ten-year basis, with the amortization costs represented by rent. Seven years have passed, and in three more the property will be free and clear with no further administrative charges necessary. The counties of Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Volusia have erected buildings to house the unit offices in their respective counties. The agency is housed in county office buildings in Pinellas and Suwannee.

In most parts of the state the county or the city, either jointly or individually, provides quarters which are not always satisfactory. In a good many, they are located on a second floor, so that clients must negotiate a pair of stairs to visit the agency.

In the larger urban centers of the state it is necessary for the agency to rent quarters. It has been hoped that state office buildings could be erected in such centers, with provision made for this agency as well as the many other state agencies located therein. In Jacksonville alone there are over thirty state agencies scattered from one end of the city to the other. All are paying rent. It would be a convenience to the public, as well as to the various agencies, to have the latter housed under one roof.

Seemingly all that is needed for such an undertaking is the use of credit to finance such buildings, as their cost could be amortized in the form of rent over a course of years.

### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Lacking legislative approval of a policy requiring adult children to support parents, the agency has continued its policy of contacting the children of Old Age Assistance recipients on a selective basis, obtaining only such assistance as the children are willing to give. Help in strengthening family relationships and in the preservation of family ties is a service which is basic in Old Age Assistance, as in any welfare program. Staff members have given this service in as many cases as time would permit, in order to plan more satisfactorily for those aged persons who have turned to them for help.

### NURSING AND BOARDING HOMES

The Welfare Board has cooperated also with the State Board of Health in that agency's attempt to raise standards in nursing and boarding homes caring for aged, infirm persons. Much more needs to be done in this area, in order to bridge the gap between the cost of adequate nursing care and the maximums that can be paid for such care for public assistance recipients. A study is currently under way to determine cost figures for nursing care, so that this problem may

be solved either by local communities or by the state.

### HOSPITALS

The lack of a state law providing for the licensing of hospitals, other than those receiving funds under the Hill-Burton Act, has limited the aid given to ill, aged persons, since Old Age Assistance grants may not be continued to persons receiving care in institutions not coming under the licensing authority of the state. It is hoped that a need for such an over-all hospital licensing law and for liberalization of the State Welfare Act to permit payments to persons in public medical institutions, as provided in the Social Security Act, will be taken under consideration at the 1955 meeting of the State Legislature.

### AID TO THE BLIND

In Aid to the Blind, the number of recipients in the past year has been reduced by 182 persons. A part of this reduction should be credited to the efforts of the Florida Council for the Blind and the State Vocational Rehabilitation agency's efforts to rehabilitate handicapped persons through medical or surgical care and vocational training.

To be most constructive, such rehabilitative services must be accompanied by close correlation of the work of the agencies involved and casework services from the state department worker in helping the person to know of and make the best use of these resources. The limited staff time permitted by the state department's large case loads has reduced the effectiveness of these services to some extent. A part of the reduction in cases is the result of more careful consideration by the staff of the eligibility factors for Aid to the Blind.

The results of an administrative review done by technicians of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare indicate a need for even more careful determination of eligibility for this form of aid. While determination on the eligibility factor of degree of blindness is based on an examination made by either an approved ophthalmologist or optometrist and approved by the state supervising ophthalmologist, it is apparent from the great variation in medical reports submitted by different doctors on the same individual that the results of such examinations are to a degree subjective and are not infallible. Such a determination is affected by the applicant's willingness to cooperate with the examining physician and his understanding of the program.

The experience of the agency in the past year has reaffirmed its conviction that positive results with these handicapped persons can be accomplished only by the most careful planning and cooperation between the agency worker, the examining doctor, and the client. The success of this, too, is in direct relationship to the time which a worker has to spend with the recipient, and the limited time permitted the staff has not been adequate for doing the most constructive job.

The cooperative agreement between the Florida Council for the Blind and the Welfare Board has continued throughout the year, permitting sharing of the cost



and the joint use of medical reports made on persons known to both agencies. The Council has also made it possible for travel expenses for visits to doctors to be paid for persons who are both applying for Aid to the Blind and being referred to the Council for service. This cooperative agreement requires that all applicants for Aid to the Blind be referred to the Council without any screening by the agency and limits the number of physicians approved to make examinations for the agency to those physicians who are on the panel of the Council. This agreement avoids duplication of examinations for the patient and results in a financial saving to the state.

During this past year members of the Florida Optometric Association, as well as ophthalmologists, have continued to make examinations to be used by the state supervising ophthalmologist in determining the degree of blindness. The agency has received excellent cooperation from the optometrists in carrying out plans for using their services.

### COMPLAINTS ARE HELPFUL

In administering an assistance program throughout the state, the department receives a number of letters of complaint or criticism from persons who are denied assistance or who believe that they receive inadequate amounts of assistance and are dissatisfied with the policies of the department and the way the welfare program is administered. The public assistance division gives careful attention to these complaints, acknowledging each letter, clarifying the questions which have been raised, and referring the individual to the local welfare office for further discussion of his problem. When it seems necessary, the local staff is asked to review the situation to determine if an adjustment is possible. By analyzing these complaints in the division the need for revision in policies or procedures is often pointed up.

Another service rendered by the division is that of answering inquiries from persons who write to the state office for information on the state assistance programs, the procedure for obtaining assistance, and for general information about the health and welfare services available in Florida or in other states. During the year hundreds of letters are received requesting assistance or medical care for disabled or needy persons who do not qualify for Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind, or Aid to Dependent Children. Since the state has no funds for granting general assistance, these persons are advised to contact authorities in their communities for any assistance which may be available through local resources.

### FAIR HEARINGS HELD

Prior to September 1953 the hearings officer was attached to the assistant director's office. During that month the transfer was made to the public assistance division. This change has been beneficial to the department, in that the hearings officer has the advantage of supervision from the division of public assistance, and the division of public assistance, in turn, is able to use hearings in evaluating agency policy and the way these policies affect people.

During June 1954 the hearings procedure was revised. Under past procedure the hearing was concerned with the client's situation at the time of district board action. Facts were brought out to show that the district board was correct or incorrect in the application of agency policy to the particular situation as it existed at the time of district action. A decision was rendered by the State Board to the effect that the district board acted properly or improperly, in view of the circumstances existing at the time of district action and the regulations in effect at that time.

Under the revised policy, hearings are being conducted on the basis of the client's current situation and will establish his current eligibility or ineligibility for assistance. The State Board renders the decision as to whether or not the claimant is eligible or ineligible and, if eligible, the amount of grant to which he is entitled.

During the fiscal year 126 hearing requests were disposed of: 108 of this number were completed as a result of a hearing decision; and 18 cases were disposed of by other means, such as withdrawal, failure to respond to letters of appointment, or death of the claimant.

#### PROVISIONS OF FRAUD LAW CARRIED OUT

The Fraud Law, which was passed in 1951, was amended by the legislature in the 1953 session. The effective date of the amendment was July 1, 1953.

The State Welfare Board in the July meeting voted to request the districts to send in fraud cases involving fraud committed during the past two years.

Between July 1, 1953, and October 1, 1953, the districts submitted 120 cases of fraud to the state office. These cases were reviewed in the state office by the public assistance division to determine whether or not department policies had been followed by the districts and whether or not there were extenuating circumstances, such as mental illness or physical illness, which would affect the decision as to whether or not the client had deliberately committed fraud. The 120 cases of possible fraud were submitted to the State Welfare Board in October 1953, for consideration and decision as to whether or not they should be referred to prosecuting authorities.

The State Welfare Board at the October meeting revised the procedure for handling fraud cases and decided that determination of fraud would be made by district welfare boards, while the State Welfare Board would act primarily as a referral agency, referring the cases to the prosecuting authorities. Fraud cases were returned to district boards for re-examination in light of the new policy. The new policy was stated as follows: "(1) staff should report to the district board all cases in which there is any question of possible fraud; (2) the district boards would carefully consider these cases and would determine whether or not, in their opinion and on the basis of the facts presented by the district staff, fraud had been committed; (3) the district boards would give paramount consideration to whether or not the client knowingly defrauded or attempted to defraud the agency; (4) repayment would not remove criminal liability." Several definitions of "know-



ingly" and "fraud" were given to the districts as a guide in determining whether or not fraud existed, within the meaning of the law.

The state office staff was asked to review the fraud cases, with one purpose in mind: to determine whether or not the district boards had misinterpreted any agency regulation which would have an effect on the decision as to fraud. Such cases were returned to the district boards for further clarification or correction. During the months from November 1953 through June 1954 a total of 141 fraud reports were submitted by the district boards to the State Welfare Board as follows:

<u>Board Meeting</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Cases</u>
January	57
February	21
March	17
April	12
May	19
June	15

At the State Welfare Board meeting of March 20, 1954, the following policies regarding the prosecution of fraud cases were adopted:

"That prosecuting attorneys be assured that it is the policy of this Board to cooperate with them within the framework of the Statute, to furnish them all evidence we have available and to assist them in procuring all the evidence and witnesses which the department is in a position to facilitate but not to the extent that any agent or worker be an official witness and in case of any question it be referred to our attorney for advice and reply."

"Fraud does not exist even though a misstatement is made or information withheld when the undisclosed facts, if considered, would not have affected eligibility or amount of grant."

The total number of cases referred by the State Welfare Board to prosecuting attorneys or solicitors in the state during the fiscal year 1953 - 1954 was 220. Only two were prosecuted by county prosecuting authorities.

#### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

The number of families receiving Aid to Dependent Children at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, was 19,654, which represented an increase of 1,164 families over June 30, 1953.

The major reason for the children's need for public assistance continues to be due to the absence of their father because of separation and desertion. During this year the 1953 Florida Welfare Act, enabling suit for support to be filed against parents living outside the state, has been implemented. With the majority of other states operating under a similar law on a reciprocal basis it is now possible

for children to regain the support which is rightfully theirs. As the operation of the law among the states is perfected there will be a decrease in the number of children who will be in need of assistance, but, because the earnings of many fathers are limited, it cannot be anticipated that the decrease will be large.

Efforts to help families regain their independence through other means also continues, and, while the number is appreciable, efforts are hampered by the limitation of lack of sufficient staff to give families the help and direction they need to become independent.

The major ways in which these families have gained their independence through the past year have been shown to be through the remarriage of the mother, employment of the mother, and employment of a disabled father who has been helped to find and use medical treatment so that he can work again. There is, also, a group of families who have no potentialities for self-support, and the objective in these situations is to help the parents provide their children every possible opportunity for growing up into healthy, productive citizens. This, too, takes time, and the lack of staff to give the kind of help so often necessary prohibits fulfillment of the intention of the program.

#### CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

The department received 4,925 requests for social services for children during the year, which was an increase of 8.2 percent over the previous year. Services were being provided for 2,747 children on June 30, 1954, or 465 more than were receiving services on the same day in 1953. Even so, the department knows that it is still a long way from providing social services for children to the extent that it is given responsibility under Florida's State Welfare Act.

Services are not uniformly available throughout the state. Where a child lives rather than what he needs frequently determines what can be planned for him. Foster home care, for example, is provided only in fifteen counties and not even for all children who need it in those counties. While services have increased, so has the number of children in need of care and protection and at an even greater rate.

#### STATE-WIDE SERVICES

The department expended \$137,766.44 in state funds for child welfare services which were available for children in every county. This included \$23,461.86 for services to unmarried mothers, \$3,278.36 for stranded, runaway or abandoned children, and \$111,026.22 for temporary emergency care. Federal funds in the amount of \$2,426.12 were used for the return of runaway children.

Temporary care was provided children who had been deserted or stranded, who were homeless, or whose parents were ill. Funds were limited to a ninety-day period, during which the department tried to work out a suitable plan for the child. Care was provided in a licensed temporary care home or institution.

## HOUSEKEEPER SERVICE

Housekeeper service allowed children to remain in their own home when their parents could not care for them because of a family crisis. The most frequent situations were those in which the mother was ill and housekeeper service kept the children from having the experience of being cared for outside their home. In other cases housekeeper service allowed time to explore the best plan for children whose parents were not going to be able to take care of them for a long time. The use of funds for this program was also limited to a period not to exceed ninety days.

## SERVICES FOR UNMARRIED MOTHERS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE

State funds continued to be used for unmarried mothers under 21 years of age in order to help the mother before the birth of the baby and to provide care in an approved maternity home. When the mother wished to have her child placed for adoption, the department referred the baby to a licensed child-placing agency. If she wished to keep the child, the department attempted to help her for a temporary period until she could make adequate plans for herself and her child. During the year the department received 317 requests for services for unmarried mothers.

## RUNAWAY CHILDREN

The services for runaway children, begun in 1952, were continued through the use of both state and federal funds.

Care was provided children under sixteen years of age who needed to be returned to Florida or to be sent from Florida to their home state, as well as children under eighteen years who had gone from one Florida community to another. Funds were used when transportation and maintenance were not available from any other source, including the child's parents and his home state.

The 204 children served from January 1, 1952, through May 31, 1954, were found in or returned to 21 different Florida counties. The children who were returned to another state from Florida had come from 28 states. Florida children who were returned to Florida had been found in seven different states. The majority of the children were 14 and 15 years old, and there were 152 boys and 52 girls.

Almost half the children (48 percent) were returned in less than four days and 88 percent were returned in less than two weeks. Children are not returned to other states until the Department of Public Welfare in that state has familiarized itself with the child's family situation and has approved his return.

## ADMISSION STUDIES

The department continued to prepare admission studies for children committed to the Industrial School for Boys, the Industrial School for Girls, and Forest Hill

Correctional School from counties not having probation officers and from other counties when the court specifically asked the department to provide the service. During the year this meant that 270 studies were prepared in 55 counties.

This service was begun in 1946 at the request of the schools, in order to give them information which would help them understand the child and his home situation.

#### INVESTIGATION OF ADOPTION PETITIONS

As provided by the Adoption Law the department makes an investigation of all petitions for the adoption of children who have not been placed by a licensed child-placing agency and prepares for the circuit courts a report of its findings and its recommendations.

The department received 1,807 petitions for adoption during the year, which was an increase of 13 percent. During the last seven years the number of adoption petitions has increased by 74 percent, as follows:

#### PETITIONS FOR ADOPTION - BY FISCAL YEAR

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Adoption Petitions Received</u>	<u>Initial Studies Completed</u>
1947 - 1948	1,039	967
1948 - 1949	1,009	937
1949 - 1950	1,005	986
1950 - 1951	1,250	1,151
1951 - 1952	1,386	1,360
1952 - 1953	1,601	1,623
1953 - 1954	1,807	1,693

#### LICENSING

Under special laws applying to Dade, Duval, and Orange Counties the department licensed commercial boarding homes and day-care programs. Under the State Welfare Act it licensed foster homes used for children by private child-placing agencies and the department. The growth of the licensing program is indicated in the following table.

	<u>YEAR</u>				
	<u>1945</u>	<u>1948</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>
TOTAL Number of Homes Currently Licensed in June	<u>39</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>429</u>	<u>462</u>	<u>527</u>
Foster Homes Used by District Wel- fare Boards	6	45	130	114	145
Foster Homes Used by Private Child-Placing Agencies	26	46	92	89	117
Independent Boarding Homes and Day-Care Programs - Dade, Duval, and Orange Counties	7	108	207	259	265



Under the State Welfare Act the department also licensed institutions and agencies providing care for dependent children. As of June 1954, seven child-placing agencies and fifteen child-caring institutions were licensed, with two institutions also being licensed to do childplacing. Three institutions and agencies were under study, and work was being done with nine groups that were contemplating the establishment of a child-caring institution. In addition to the actual study for issuance of a license, the department provides consultation and works closely with agencies toward the continuous improvement of the quality of care provided children.

#### CHILD WELFARE UNITS

New child welfare units were opened during the year in Bay and Leon Counties, bringing to a total of 15 the counties in which child welfare workers and supervisors are employed on the staffs of the district welfare boards to provide child welfare casework services. The salaries of 34 such positions were paid from federal child welfare services funds, with state funds being used to pay for other administrative costs. State funds were used also in those counties for the services which are available on a state-wide basis.

Local funds were used primarily for foster home care of children, with \$203,633.24 having been made available by county and city governments, civic organizations, parents, community chests, and interested people. A monthly average of 409 children received foster home care. This represented an increase over the previous year of \$32,112.36 and an average of 74 more children each month.

# ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

July 1, 1953 — June 30, 1954

(State Total)

## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

### APPLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

APPLICATIONS	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind
Pending (June 30, 1953) .....	1,531	1,276	130
Received (July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954) .....	16,897	13,204	782
Total during Fiscal year .....	18,428	14,480	912
Total Disposed of .....	16,821	13,033	782
Approved for Payment .....	9,854	7,026	308
Denied or Withdrawn .....	6,967	6,007	474
Pending (June 30, 1954) .....	1,607	1,447	130

### CASES APPROVED FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

CASES	Old Age Assistance	Dependent Families	Aid to Children	Aid to the Blind
Cases Eligible (July 1, 1953) .....	66,826	18,663	48,048	3,107
Cases Approved for Payment (July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954) .....	9,854	7,026	19,809	308
Total Cases Assisted (July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954) .....	76,680	25,689	67,857	3,415
Cases Closed (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	7,807	5,809	15,391	489
Cases Eligible (June 30, 1954) .....	68,873	19,880	52,466	2,926
Received Assistance .....	68,553	19,654	51,902	2,916
Received No Assistance .....	320	226	564	10
(Approved in June for July Payment)				

### PUBLIC ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

(July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954)

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	Total Assistance Expenditures	Federal Funds	State Funds
Old Age Assistance .....	\$36,722,066.00	\$23,928,795.50	\$12,793,270.50
Aid to Dependent Children .....	12,258,988.00	9,678,288.50	2,580,699.50
Aid to the Blind .....	1,751,578.00	1,146,554.00	605,024.00
Total .....	\$50,732,632.00	\$34,753,638.00	\$15,978,994.00
Percent of Total .....	100.00	68.50	31.50

### REVIEW OF ACTIVE CASES

	Total	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind
Total Reviews Completed (July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954) .....	123,508	78,960	40,692	3,856



## SERVICES TO CHILDREN JULY 1, 1953 - JUNE 30, 1954

### REQUESTS FOR SERVICES

Total Number of Requests for Services Received  
(July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954) ..... 4,925

Nature of Requests Received:

Behavior Difficulties .....	78
Mental Difficulties .....	24
Physical Difficulties .....	42
Services to Unmarried Mothers .....	317
Placement Services .....	882
Day Care Services .....	97
Protective Services .....	62
Supervisory Services .....	75
Adoption Services .....	2,470
General .....	878

### SERVICES GIVEN

	Families	Children
Cases Under Care (July 1, 1953) .....	1,702	2,282
Services Initiated (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	4,632	6,467
Received Service (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	6,334	8,749
Services Completed (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	4,300	6,002
Cases Under Care (June 30, 1954) .....	2,034	2,747
(Whereabouts of Children Under Care)		
In Home of Parents .....	193	399
In Home of Relatives .....	74	144
In Foster Homes: .....	1,643	2,011
Boarding Homes .....	292	494
Work/Wage Homes .....	-	-
Free Homes .....	22	26
Adoption Homes .....	1,329	1,491
In Institutions .....	45	86
Elsewhere: .....	79	107
Boarding Schools .....	5	5
Maternity Homes .....	26	26
State Institutions .....	11	11
Independent Living Arrangements .....	17	21
Other .....	20	44

### ADOPTIONS

Active Adoption Caseload (July 1, 1953) .....	1,187
Petitions Received (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	1,807
Total Caseload (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	2,994
Final Disposition by Court (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	1,601
Active Adoption Caseload (June 30, 1954) .....	1,393
Initial Studies Completed (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	1,693

## OTHER WELFARE ACTIVITIES JULY 1, 1953 - JUNE 30, 1954

### SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS

Service Cases Under Care (July 1, 1953) .....	108
Request for Service (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	4,703
Total Service Cases (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	4,811
Service Cases Disposed of (July 1953 - June 1954) .....	4,713
No Service Given .....	163
Service Given .....	4,550
Service Completed at First Interview .....	3,946
Service Completed after Continuous Care .....	604
Service Cases Under Care (June 30, 1954) .....	98

### REFERRALS TO OTHER AGENCIES OR INSTITUTIONS

Total Referrals .....	20,446
Florida Council for the Blind .....	1,318
Crippled Children's Commission .....	52
Vocational Rehabilitation .....	1,092
City or County Welfare Departments .....	4,134
County Health Units .....	3,691
Social Security Administration .....	2,159
Lions Clubs - Glasses .....	942
American Red Cross .....	237
Salvation Army .....	915
Protestant Service Bureau .....	89
Associated and Catholic Charities .....	330
Florida State Employment Service .....	1,369
Courts on Children's Cases .....	166
Legal Aid .....	1,052
County Solicitor .....	288
Veterans Administration .....	163
U. S. Housing Project .....	236
Women's Clubs .....	250
Children's Home Society .....	55
Other .....	1,908

### CASES RECEIVING SERVICE AT THE REQUEST OF OTHER AGENCIES OR INSTITUTIONS

Total Cases .....	8,477
Florida State Hospital .....	73
Florida Farm Colony .....	12
State Tuberculosis Hospitals .....	43
State Reciprocal Services .....	6,390
Selective Service Boards .....	167
Industrial School for Girls .....	42
Industrial School for Boys .....	228
Penal Institution .....	16
Children's Institutions .....	18
Courts on Children's Cases .....	62
Courts on Adult's Cases .....	7
City or County Commissioners or Welfare Departments .....	1,326
Florida Council for the Blind .....	32
County Health Departments .....	10
Veterans' Administration .....	7
Travelers' Aid Society .....	5
Salvation Army .....	4
Other .....	35

# COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTED

July 1, 1953 — June 30, 1954

FAIR WHOLESALE VALUE - \$3,719,826.23

To Schools .....	\$ 3,196,325.11
To Charitable Institutions .....	67,344.28
To State Institutions .....	454,721.36
To Summer Camps .....	1,435.48
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	\$ 3,719,826.23

## SERVED

Schools .....	1,011	Pupils .....	313,708
Charitable Institutions .....	54	Persons .....	4,017
State Institutions .....	11	Persons .....	11,710
Summer Camps .....	13	Children .....	1,706

## SUMMARY

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Apricots, Dried .....	120,000 lbs.
Beans, Dried .....	350,000 lbs.
Beef and Gravy, Canned .....	2,516,085 lbs.
Beef, Frozen Ground .....	1,238,175 lbs.
Butter, Creamery .....	1,238,421 lbs.
Cheese .....	635,661 lbs.
Cottonseed Oil .....	135,458 lbs.
Cottonseed Shortening .....	213,168 lbs.
Cranberry Sauce .....	69,600 lbs.
Grapefruit Sections .....	225,000 lbs.
Honey .....	212,280 lbs.
Milk, Dried .....	437,528 lbs.
Orange Juice Concentrate .....	249,034 lbs.
Peaches, Canned .....	881,940 lbs.
Peanut Butter .....	149,201 lbs.
Peas, Canned .....	284,297 lbs.
Pecans, Shelled .....	99,000 lbs.
Tomatoes, Canned .....	484,560 lbs.
Tomato Paste .....	112,608 lbs.
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Total .....	9,652,016 lbs.

# ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

July 1, 1953 Thru June 30, 1954

	RECEIPTS			
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, State OAA .....		-0-		
Received Against State Appropriation for OAA .....	\$12,250,000.00			
Received Against Emergency Appropriation (28115) .....	500,000.00			
Adjustments for Prior Period .....	(2,274.25)	\$12,747,725.75	\$12,747,725.75	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, State AB .....		-0-		
Received Against State Appropriation for AB .....	635,513.00			
Adjustments for Prior Period .....	(398.00)	635,115.00	635,115.00	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, State ADC .....		-0-		
Received Against State Appropriation for ADC .....	3,031,243.00			
Adjustments for Prior Period .....	44.15	3,031,287.15	3,031,287.15	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, State CWS-Assistance .....		-0-		
Received Against State Appropriation for ADC .....	205,000.00			
Adjustments for Prior Period .....	321.65	205,321.65	205,321.65	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953 - Administration and Services ..		-0-		
Received Against State Appropriation for Administration and Services .....	1,579,650.00			
Miscellaneous Income (Commodity Contributions) .....	10,000.00			
Adjustments for Prior Period .....	56,084.92	1,645,734.92	1,645,734.92	
TOTAL STATE FUNDS AVAILABLE .....				\$18,265,184.47
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, Federal OAA .....		233,864.31		
Federal Grants for OAA .....	24,392,455.03			
Federal Share of Collections .....	3,263.82			
Adjustments for Prior Periods .....	(16.45)	24,395,702.40	24,629,566.71	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, Federal AB .....		13,494.39		
Federal Grants for AB .....		1,195,361.13	1,208,855.52	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, Federal ADC .....		125,643.08		
Federal Grants for ADC .....	10,121,156.23			
Adjustments for Prior Periods .....	3.75	10,121,159.98	10,246,803.06	
Fund Balance July 1, 1953, Federal CWS .....		16,825.01		
Federal Grants for CWS .....		124,843.00	141,668.01	
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE .....				36,226,893.30
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE .....				\$54,492,077.77

## DISBURSEMENTS

For Old Age Assistance .....		\$36,733,293.30	
Less: Cancellations .....	\$137,874.00		
Refunds .....	<u>16,853.06</u>	<u>154,727.06</u>	
Net OAA Payments .....		<u>\$36,578,566.24</u>	
From State Funds .....			\$12,743,035.90
From Federal Funds .....			23,835,530.34
For Aid to the Blind .....		1,752,108.00	
Less: Cancellations .....	3,340.72		
Refunds .....	<u>588.00</u>	<u>3,928.72</u>	
Net AB Payments .....		<u>1,748,179.28</u>	
From State Funds .....			603,905.25
From Federal Funds .....			1,144,274.03
For Aid to Dependent Children .....		12,265,688.16	
Less: Cancellations .....	47,246.00		
Refunds .....	<u>2,682.02</u>	<u>49,928.02</u>	
Net ADC Payments .....		<u>12,215,760.14</u>	
From State Funds .....			2,571,613.58
From Federal Funds .....			9,644,146.56
For State CWS Assistance .....		137,241.26	
Less: Cancellations .....	313.53		
Refunds .....	<u>6,085.00</u>	<u>6,398.53</u>	
Net State CWS Assistance .....		<u>130,842.73</u>	
From State Funds .....			130,842.73
For Federal CWS Assistance .....		2,672.28	
Less: Refunds .....		<u>246.16</u>	
Net Federal CWS Assistance .....		<u>2,426.12</u>	
From Federal CWS Funds .....			2,426.12
TOTAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS .....			<u>50,675,774.51</u>



# ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - (Cont'd)

## For Administration and Services:

### From State Funds:

For Old Age Assistance .....	\$706,302.04	
For Aid to the Blind .....	38,456.37	
For Aid to Dependent Children .....	505,847.10	
For Aid to Permanently or Totally Disabled ...	3,841.04	
For Other State Services .....	<u>302,103.78</u>	\$1,556,550.33

### From Federal Funds:

For Old Age Assistance .....	705,136.22	
For Aid to the Blind .....	38,396.07	
For Aid to Dependent Children .....	505,011.92	
For Aid to Permanently or Totally Disabled ...	3,835.56	
For Child Welfare Services .....	<u>124,021.91</u>	<u>1,376,401.68</u>

## TOTAL ADMINISTRATION & SERVICES

DISBURSEMENTS ..... \$2,932,952.01

## For Supplies Inventories:

Inventory July 1, 1953 .....	6,330.75	
Inventory June 30, 1954 .....	<u>5,420.69</u>	
Decrease in Supplies Inventories .....		(910.06)

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR PERIOD ..... \$53,607,816.46

EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS ..... \$ 884,261.31

## PROOF

## FUND BALANCES JUNE 30, 1954:

State OAA .....	\$ 4,689.85
State AB .....	31,209.75
State ADC .....	459,673.57
State CWS Assistance .....	74,478.92
Federal OAA .....	88,900.15
Federal AB .....	26,185.42
Federal ADC .....	97,644.58
Federal CWS .....	15,219.98
Administration & Services .....	<u>86,259.09</u>

TOTAL FUND BALANCES JUNE 30, 1954..... \$ 884,261.31



# **ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS For FISCAL YEAR\***

Month	Total	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind
July 1953.....	\$ 4,107,244.50	\$ 2,974,418.00	\$ 983,810.50	\$ 149,016.00
August.....	4,133,903.50	2,990,337.50	994,686.50	148,879.50
September.....	4,109,590.50	2,958,528.00	1,003,125.50	147,937.00
October.....	4,176,842.50	3,018,331.50	1,010,297.50	148,213.50
November.....	4,196,972.00	3,036,844.50	1,012,759.50	147,368.00
December.....	4,241,905.50	3,066,569.00	1,028,140.00	147,196.50
January 1954....	4,241,519.00	3,073,756.00	1,021,775.50	145,987.50
February.....	4,258,266.50	3,089,154.00	1,025,075.00	144,037.50
March.....	4,278,189.50	3,104,327.00	1,030,095.00	143,767.50
April.....	4,299,182.00	3,117,971.00	1,037,610.00	143,601.00
May.....	4,328,907.00	3,136,111.00	1,049,606.50	143,189.50
June.....	4,360,109.50	3,155,718.50	1,062,006.50	142,384.50
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$50,732,632.00</b>	<b>\$36,722,066.00</b>	<b>\$12,258,988.00</b>	<b>\$1,751,578.00</b>

\* Represent obligations incurred by the agency at the time grants were made.

## **NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS**

	June 1952	June 1953	June 1954
Old Age Assistance.....	67,173	66,562	68,553
Aid to Dependent Children.....	17,566	18,490	19,654
Aid to the Blind.....	3,141	3,098	2,916

## **AVERAGE MONTHLY GRANTS**

	June 1952	June 1953	June 1954
Old Age Assistance.....	\$38.66	\$43.36	\$46.03
Aid to Dependent Children.....	47.74	53.27	54.04
Aid to the Blind.....	42.86	48.22	48.83

## **NET EXPENDITURES FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

*July 1, 1953 — June 30, 1954*

	Total	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind
July 1953.....	\$ 4,089,511.83	\$ 2,960,345.83	\$ 980,304.00	\$ 148,862.00
August.....	4,120,438.44	2,980,020.74	991,662.20	148,755.50
September.....	4,097,393.03	2,949,806.37	1,000,156.66	147,430.00
October.....	4,162,633.35	3,009,041.85	1,005,378.00	148,213.50
November.....	4,183,296.78	3,027,248.50	1,009,238.28	146,810.00
December.....	4,225,161.30	3,053,093.80	1,025,035.00	147,032.50
January 1954....	4,219,262.65	3,056,362.65	1,017,581.00	145,319.00
February.....	4,239,143.00	3,075,136.00	1,020,288.00	143,719.00
March.....	4,264,424.00	3,093,056.00	1,027,768.50	143,599.50
April.....	4,283,363.03	3,105,156.50	1,034,626.75	143,579.78
May.....	4,317,319.75	3,127,634.00	1,046,862.75	142,823.00
June.....	4,340,558.50	3,141,664.00	1,056,859.00	142,035.50
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$50,542,505.66</b>	<b>\$36,578,566.24</b>	<b>\$12,215,760.14</b>	<b>\$1,748,179.28</b>

**PUBLIC ASSISTANCE — SHOWING AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS  
TO RECIPIENTS — BY COUNTY\***

*July 1953 — June 1954*

(Cases shown are those receiving assistance as of June 1954. Assistance shown is the total amount received for the period July 1953 - June 1954.)

	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN		AID TO THE BLIND		TOTAL All Assistance Payments
	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	
District No. 1							
Bay .....	1,109	\$ 585,185.00	446	\$ 272,499.00	56	\$ 31,425.50	\$ 889,109.50
Escambia .....	2,802	1,459,576.50	1,406	837,006.00	117	62,821.00	2,359,403.50
Holmes .....	829	433,220.00	179	112,182.50	44	32,067.00	577,469.50
Okaloosa .....	828	457,027.00	210	124,914.00	42	23,997.00	605,938.00
Santa Rosa .....	887	470,932.50	268	169,806.50	65	41,598.50	682,337.50
Walton .....	851	474,967.50	225	134,514.50	49	33,440.50	642,922.50
Washington .....	744	387,483.00	200	129,512.50	39	27,080.00	544,075.50
TOTAL .....	8,050	4,268,391.50	2,934	1,780,435.00	412	252,429.50	6,301,256.00
District No. 2							
Calhoun .....	400	211,375.00	96	62,590.00	47	27,507.00	301,472.00
Franklin .....	299	164,709.00	38	18,481.50	15	9,344.50	192,535.00
Gadsden .....	1,060	535,921.50	206	132,592.00	51	28,514.00	697,027.50
Gulf .....	218	115,324.50	62	39,678.00	12	6,929.50	161,932.00
Jackson .....	1,828	920,658.50	334	220,012.50	63	35,024.00	1,175,695.00
Jefferson .....	660	324,021.00	74	45,085.50	21	11,652.00	380,758.50
Leon .....	1,520	776,722.00	281	160,033.50	59	34,760.00	971,515.50
Liberty .....	201	112,303.50	31	22,480.00	10	5,729.50	140,513.00
Wakulla .....	283	155,744.50	54	34,009.00	17	9,888.50	199,642.00
TOTAL .....	6,469	3,316,779.50	1,176	734,962.00	295	169,349.00	4,221,090.50

## District No. 3

Columbia .....	839	451,770.00	197	126,192.50	33	20,247.00	598,209.50
Dixie .....	191	106,672.50	57	38,022.00	14	8,685.50	153,380.00
Gilchrist .....	152	82,597.50	38	24,926.00	8	5,388.50	112,912.00
Hamilton .....	429	216,535.50	97	61,985.50	23	12,860.50	291,381.50
Lafayette .....	204	111,811.00	41	22,935.50	6	2,979.50	137,726.00
Levy .....	676	366,682.00	118	75,105.00	20	12,575.00	454,362.00
Madison .....	889	476,182.00	232	141,951.00	34	20,464.50	638,597.50
Suwannee .....	902	464,234.50	154	93,542.50	36	19,601.50	577,378.50
Taylor .....	498	270,116.50	174	109,480.00	25	16,121.00	395,717.50
TOTAL .....	4,780	2,546,601.50	1,108	694,140.00	199	118,923.00	3,359,664.50

## District No. 4

Citrus .....	335	174,991.00	54	32,638.00	16	8,321.00	215,950.00
Hernando .....	224	124,012.50	51	30,796.00	12	7,488.00	162,296.50
Pasco .....	608	333,397.50	148	96,799.00	26	15,716.00	445,912.50
Pinellas .....	2,793	1,521,828.50	554	340,846.00	78	49,620.50	1,912,295.00
TOTAL .....	3,960	2,154,229.50	807	501,079.00	132	81,145.50	2,736,454.00

## District No. 5

Alachua .....	1,941	1,113,782.00	814	527,183.00	105	61,647.50	1,702,612.50
Baker .....	250	138,914.00	80	56,005.50	25	13,700.00	208,619.50
Bradford .....	526	288,996.00	174	115,676.00	25	14,995.00	419,667.00
Clay .....	353	191,701.50	92	58,339.00	11	5,930.00	255,970.50
Flagler .....	104	60,703.00	25	16,931.00	1	1,259.00	78,893.00
Nassau .....	410	222,339.50	151	94,889.50	14	8,453.50	325,682.50
Putnam .....	1,110	637,385.00	347	210,219.50	51	37,426.50	885,031.00
St. Johns .....	776	414,807.00	125	70,647.50	29	16,219.50	501,674.00
Union .....	250	147,722.00	82	50,481.00	13	8,452.00	206,655.00
TOTAL .....	5,720	3,216,350.00	1,890	1,200,372.00	274	168,083.00	4,584,805.00

## District No. 6

Duval .....	7,009	3,688,740.50	2,563	1,535,493.00	313	187,154.50	5,411,388.00
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## District No. 7

Hillsborough .....	5,677	2,966,889.00	1,595	1,013,973.50	260	155,699.50	4,136,562.00
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE—SHOWING AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS  
TO RECIPIENTS—BY COUNTY—(Cont'd)

	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN		AID TO THE BLIND		TOTAL All Assistance Payments
	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	Cases Receiving Financial Assistance	Amount of Payments*	
District No. 8							
Charlotte .....	162	\$ 97,284.50	22	\$ 13,931.00	6	\$ 4,196.00	\$ 115,411.50
Collier .....	122	64,848.00	34	19,442.00	9	3,920.50	88,210.50
DeSoto .....	312	168,099.00	46	28,600.00	11	6,866.50	203,565.50
Glades .....	62	35,869.50	22	12,015.00	-	-	47,884.50
Hardee .....	424	242,070.00	50	32,819.00	10	6,746.50	281,635.50
Hendry .....	149	75,151.00	36	23,281.50	10	6,668.00	105,100.50
Highlands .....	401	202,562.00	88	49,752.00	16	7,130.50	259,444.50
Lee .....	680	356,305.00	125	77,677.50	31	17,645.00	451,627.50
Manatee .....	964	506,266.00	172	104,254.50	32	19,018.50	629,539.00
Sarasota .....	465	240,588.50	93	61,080.50	24	11,117.00	312,786.00
TOTAL .....	3,741	1,989,043.50	688	422,853.00	149	83,308.50	2,495,205.00
District No. 9							
Dade .....	5,614	2,952,913.00	1,470	945,234.50	172	102,017.50	4,000,165.00
Monroe .....	470	247,979.50	103	64,376.00	31	19,321.50	331,677.00
TOTAL .....	6,084	3,200,892.50	1,573	1,009,610.50	203	121,339.00	4,331,842.00
District No. 10							
Broward .....	957	502,613.50	446	310,597.50	42	23,281.00	836,492.00
Indian River .....	300	175,464.00	73	51,884.50	14	8,137.00	235,485.50
Martin .....	259	138,893.00	50	33,120.00	12	7,249.50	179,262.50
Okeechobee .....	154	86,016.00	41	23,269.00	14	9,594.00	118,879.00
Palm Beach .....	1,515	784,026.00	389	231,008.50	79	43,889.00	1,058,923.50
St. Lucie .....	383	225,537.00	104	72,039.50	9	7,379.50	304,956.00
TOTAL .....	3,568	1,912,549.50	1,103	721,919.00	170	99,530.00	2,733,998.50

## District No. 11

Lake .....	1,014	551,405.00	167	97,918.00	38	22,942.00	672,265.00
Marion .....	1,766	1,004,562.50	609	384,525.00	86	53,536.50	1,442,624.00
Polk .....	3,096	1,661,000.50	791	538,900.00	134	85,528.50	2,285,429.00
Sumter .....	589	316,491.00	124	79,071.00	20	14,226.50	409,788.50
TOTAL .....	6,465	3,533,459.00	1,691	1,100,414.00	278	176,233.50	4,810,106.50

## District No. 12

Brevard .....	647	359,256.50	227	133,138.00	25	12,628.00	505,022.50
Orange .....	2,684	1,490,039.50	1,014	622,199.50	76	47,671.50	2,159,910.50
Osceola .....	566	334,256.00	117	66,999.50	21	14,307.00	415,562.50
Seminole .....	924	511,891.50	446	275,245.00	36	19,910.00	807,046.50
Volusia .....	2,209	1,232,696.50	722	446,155.00	73	43,866.50	1,722,718.00
TOTAL .....	7,030	3,928,140.00	2,526	1,543,737.00	231	138,383.00	5,610,260.00

STATE TOTAL .....	68,553	\$36,722,066.00	19,654	\$12,258,988.00	2,916	\$1,751,578.00	\$50,732,632.00
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**ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR\***  
(By State and Federal Funds)

Month	STATE FUNDS			FEDERAL FUNDS		
	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind
July 1953 .....	\$ 1,026,107.75	\$ 208,184.75	\$ 51,408.00	\$ 1,948,310.25	\$ 775,625.75	\$ 97,608.00
August .....	1,033,983.25	210,576.25	51,414.75	1,956,354.25	784,110.25	97,464.75
September .....	995,587.50	212,005.75	51,093.50	1,962,940.50	791,119.75	96,843.50
October .....	1,047,503.25	213,328.25	51,149.25	1,970,828.25	796,969.25	97,064.25
November .....	1,056,781.00	214,046.25	50,854.00	1,980,063.50	798,713.25	96,514.00
December .....	1,069,192.25	217,061.00	50,813.25	1,997,376.75	811,079.00	96,383.25
January 1954 .....	1,074,219.25	215,017.25	50,396.25	1,999,536.75	806,758.25	95,591.25
February .....	1,082,193.50	215,033.50	49,728.75	2,006,960.50	810,041.50	94,308.75
March .....	1,089,903.75	215,622.00	49,638.75	2,014,423.25	814,473.00	94,128.75
April .....	1,097,067.00	217,156.50	49,645.50	2,020,904.00	820,453.50	93,955.50
May .....	1,105,779.75	219,640.25	49,559.75	2,030,331.25	829,966.25	93,629.75
June .....	1,114,952.25	223,027.75	49,322.25	2,040,766.25	838,978.75	93,062.25
TOTAL .....	\$12,793,270.50	\$2,580,699.50	\$605,024.00	\$23,928,795.50	\$9,678,288.50	\$1,146,554.00

\* Assistance payments shown on this table are gross and represent obligations incurred by the agency at the time grants were made.



REPORTS OF THE  
TWELVE  
FLORIDA WELFARE DISTRICTS

*July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954*

*With Members of the District Welfare Boards as of June 30, 1954*

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# District I

Headquarters: DeFuniak Springs

Director: Mrs. Anna Reardon

Board Members: Mrs. F. E. Mitchell, Chairman, Okaloosa County; W. G. Foster, Vice Chairman, Escambia County; John M. Cooley, Bay County; J. N. Faile, Bay County; Mrs. Henry E. McLaughlin, Escambia County; Mrs. Carl Jones, Escambia County; Mrs. Nathan S. Rubin, Escambia County; Taft Ard, Holmes County; B. D. Alford, Holmes County; Mrs. Cebelle Meigs, Okaloosa County; Mahlon C. McCall, Santa Rosa County; T. L. Riley, Santa Rosa County; J. E. Creel, Walton County; Mrs. Hugh Adams, Walton County; Eli Harrell, Washington County; Fred T. Bennett, Washington County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 345,789.00	\$ 142,114.50	\$ 22,040.00	\$ 509,943.50
August	346,618.50	142,876.00	21,974.00	511,468.50
September	344,096.50	143,808.50	21,620.00	509,525.00
October	350,146.50	144,390.00	21,012.00	515,548.50
November	350,570.00	144,269.50	20,888.50	515,728.00
December	353,776.50	147,037.00	21,191.50	522,005.00
January 1954	355,310.00	148,057.00	21,044.50	524,411.50
February	358,844.50	150,444.00	20,805.00	530,093.50
March	362,187.50	152,079.00	20,534.50	534,801.00
April	364,649.00	153,470.50	20,574.50	538,694.00
May	366,790.00	154,953.00	20,535.00	542,278.00
June	369,613.50	156,936.00	20,210.00	546,759.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,268,391.50</b>	<b>\$1,780,435.00</b>	<b>\$252,429.50</b>	<b>\$6,301,256.00</b>

# District II

Headquarters: Quincy

Director: Miss Sada Bostick

Board Members: T. E. Austin, Chairman, Franklin County; A. D. Williams, Vice Chairman, Jackson County; J. T. Grayson, Calhoun County; Lucille Fuqua, Calhoun County; Mrs. C. C. Land, Franklin County; Reverend Tenney I. Deane, Gadsden County; Mrs. W. N. Faircloth, Gadsden County; Robert Bellows, Gulf County; Mrs. H. C. Brown, Gulf County; Mrs. J. R. Cooksey, Jr., Jefferson County; Miss Roumelle Bowen, Leon County; Mrs. Coyle E. Moore, Leon County; Mrs. Clara Rankin, Liberty County; Mrs. Inez Parish, Liberty County; C. L. Rehwinkel, Wakulla County; V. L. Cooper, Wakulla County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 267,493.00	\$ 56,406.00	\$ 14,042.50	\$ 337,941.50
August	269,216.50	57,335.50	13,970.50	340,522.50
September	266,948.00	57,819.00	14,037.50	338,804.50
October	271,476.00	58,686.50	14,481.50	344,644.00
November	273,226.00	59,360.00	14,479.50	347,065.50
December	276,220.00	61,316.50	14,270.00	351,806.50
January 1954	277,454.00	61,322.50	14,102.50	352,879.00
February	279,257.00	62,572.00	13,883.00	355,712.00
March	281,060.50	63,701.00	13,932.00	358,693.50
April	282,035.00	64,934.00	14,164.00	361,133.00
May	285,634.00	65,953.50	13,959.00	365,546.50
June	286,759.50	65,555.50	14,027.00	366,342.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,316,779.50</b>	<b>\$ 734,962.00</b>	<b>\$169,349.00</b>	<b>\$4,221,090.50</b>

### District III

Headquarters: Live Oak

Director: Miss Olive B. Day

Board Members: Harold Gilmore, Chairman, Suwannee County; J. E. Stell, Vice Chairman, Levy County; Mrs. E. A. McColskey, Columbia County; G. A. Bule, Sr., Columbia County; W. S. Lovelace, Dixie County; E. C. McLeod, Dixie County; Robert H. Johnson, Gilchrist County; Clyde C. Roberts, Gilchrist County; Mrs. J. A. Stephens, Hamilton County; Mrs. P. D. Sandlin, Hamilton County; Mrs. T. E. Taylor, Lafayette County; Mrs. E. B. Williams, Lafayette County; L. W. Drummond, Levy County; Mrs. Van H. Priest, Madison County; Mrs. L. R. Woodard, Madison County; W. B. Howland, Suwannee County.

#### MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 205,183.00	\$ 55,971.00	\$ 9,793.50	\$ 270,947.50
August	205,301.00	56,544.50	9,906.50	271,752.00
September	203,554.00	56,226.50	10,005.00	269,785.50
October	207,455.50	56,443.00	9,883.00	273,781.50
November	209,514.50	56,359.00	9,999.50	275,873.00
December	212,023.50	57,555.00	10,106.50	279,685.00
January 1954	213,075.00	57,775.50	10,081.00	280,931.50
February	214,884.00	58,544.00	9,948.00	283,376.00
March	215,914.50	59,176.50	9,868.00	284,959.00
April	218,046.00	58,978.50	9,750.00	286,774.50
May	219,896.50	60,353.00	9,747.00	289,996.50
June	221,754.00	60,213.50	9,835.00	291,802.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,546,601.50</b>	<b>\$ 694,140.00</b>	<b>\$118,923.00</b>	<b>\$3,359,664.50</b>

### District IV

Headquarters: St. Petersburg

Director: Mrs. Elouise L. Irwin

Board Members: Mrs. Ruth Walker, Chairman, Pinellas County; George B. Wells, Vice Chairman, Pasco County; W. Harvey Edwards, Citrus County; Miss MaryBelle Rogers, Hernando County; George M. Allen, Hernando County; Harry Graham, Pasco County; Mrs. Mildred Baynard, Pinellas County; Wm. M. MacKenzie, Jr., Pinellas County; Mrs. W. A. McMullen, Jr., Pinellas County; Mrs. E. B. Toppin, Pinellas County; Dr. John L. Cooley, Pinellas County; Mrs. John M. Phillips, Pinellas County.

#### MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 173,637.50	\$ 40,395.50	\$ 6,907.50	\$ 220,940.50
August	174,900.50	40,961.00	7,014.00	222,875.50
September	171,703.00	41,874.00	6,999.00	220,576.00
October	176,440.50	41,794.00	6,977.50	225,212.00
November	177,655.50	41,139.50	6,789.00	225,584.00
December	182,263.50	42,047.00	6,802.00	231,112.50
January 1954	181,873.00	41,491.50	6,788.00	230,152.50
February	181,780.50	41,774.50	6,592.50	230,147.50
March	182,332.00	41,812.50	6,677.00	230,821.50
April	182,805.00	41,559.50	6,554.50	230,919.00
May	183,831.50	42,909.00	6,513.00	233,253.50
June	185,007.00	43,321.00	6,531.50	234,859.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,154,229.50</b>	<b>\$ 501,079.00</b>	<b>\$ 81,145.50</b>	<b>\$2,736,454.00</b>

# District V

Headquarters: Green Cove Springs

Director: Miss Estelle Long

Board Members: Mrs. Sara George Geiger, Vice Chairman, Clay County; J. E. Thrasher, Alachua County; James G. Richardson, Alachua County; Mrs. Maebrooks Allen, Baker County; Mrs. Ida M. Knabb, Baker County; Reverend S. E. Sparks, Bradford County; Hoyt Cotney, Clay County; Mrs. Nell L. Allen, Flagler County; Mrs. J. F. Mercer, Flagler County; Mrs. H. W. Fishler, Nassau County; Mrs. Douglas G. Fink, Nassau County; Mrs. Frederick W. Burt, Putnam County; Reverend Morgan Ashley, Putnam County; Charles E. Kettle, Jr., St. Johns County; Mrs. Ray V. Wilson, St. Johns County; Mrs. Alice Cason, Union County; Russell T. Taylor, Union County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 262,904.50	\$ 96,519.00	\$ 14,226.00	\$ 373,649.50
August	262,823.50	95,794.50	14,259.50	372,877.50
September	260,370.00	96,655.50	14,266.00	371,291.50
October	265,050.50	97,822.50	14,308.00	377,181.00
November	265,578.00	98,171.00	14,060.00	377,809.00
December	268,980.50	100,494.50	14,289.50	383,764.50
January 1954	269,386.50	101,097.50	14,237.50	384,721.50
February	271,351.50	102,181.50	13,964.50	387,497.50
March	272,154.00	102,059.00	13,844.00	388,057.00
April	272,259.50	102,599.00	13,611.00	388,469.50
May	271,967.50	103,051.00	13,645.00	388,663.50
June	273,524.00	103,927.00	13,372.00	390,823.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,216,350.00</b>	<b>\$1,200,372.00</b>	<b>\$168,083.00</b>	<b>\$4,584,805.00</b>

# District VI

Headquarters: Jacksonville

Director: Mrs. Pansy H. Mattair

Board Members: Fred S. Rizk, Chairman; Sidney Entman, Vice Chairman; Dr. Sidney Stillman; Mrs. Ordine C. Beakes; Leo T. Bowles; James A. Cranford; Mrs. Edith M. James; Dr. John H. Mitchell; Mrs. James Merrill, Jr., H. Lane Fulenwider; Franklin G. Russell; James H. O'Reilly, all of Duval County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 298,526.00	\$ 120,167.00	\$ 15,803.50	\$ 434,496.50
August	300,437.00	121,209.50	15,860.00	437,506.50
September	295,911.00	122,204.50	15,708.50	433,824.00
October	302,761.00	123,773.50	16,096.50	442,631.00
November	303,627.50	125,753.50	15,807.00	445,188.00
December	306,835.00	129,196.00	15,720.50	451,751.50
January 1954	309,076.00	129,508.50	15,626.50	454,211.00
February	311,291.50	130,862.50	15,330.00	457,484.00
March	312,532.00	131,318.00	15,410.50	459,260.50
April	314,485.50	132,772.50	15,258.50	462,516.50
May	316,018.00	134,005.50	15,325.50	465,349.00
June	317,240.00	134,722.00	15,207.50	467,169.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,688,740.50</b>	<b>\$1,535,493.00</b>	<b>\$187,154.50</b>	<b>\$5,411,388.00</b>

# District VII

Headquarters: Tampa

Director: Mrs. Betty S. Cornette

Board Members: L. B. Poston, Acting Chairman; Reverend Oswald Delgado; George D. Goff; D. A. Greco; Reverend A. R. Larrick; Mrs. Wayne M. Neal; Mrs. John Pratt, Jr., James C. Hughey; M. J. Carleto; all of Hillsborough County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 240,417.00	\$ 83,899.00	\$ 13,193.00	\$ 337,509.00
August	242,528.50	83,651.00	13,064.00	339,243.50
September	240,799.00	84,001.50	13,307.00	338,107.50
October	245,560.50	84,815.50	13,234.50	343,610.50
November	248,562.00	85,087.00	13,069.50	346,718.50
December	249,379.00	85,314.00	12,862.50	347,555.50
January 1954	249,522.50	85,042.00	12,749.00	347,313.50
February	248,986.50	83,980.00	12,674.50	345,641.00
March	249,391.00	83,257.50	12,910.50	345,559.00
April	249,881.50	84,238.00	12,974.00	347,093.50
May	250,876.00	84,562.50	12,874.00	348,312.50
June	250,985.50	86,125.50	12,787.00	349,898.00
TOTAL	\$2,966,889.00	\$1,013,973.50	\$155,699.50	\$4,136,562.00

# District VIII

Headquarters: Fort Myers

Director: Miss Winfred L. Cox

Board Members: A. B. Shogren, Chairman, Sarasota County; Paul G. Franklin, Vice Chairman, Lee County; Mrs. May D. Durrance, Charlotte County; Mrs. Robert A. Griffis, Collier County; Mrs. Joe P. Brown, Collier County; Colonel Read B. Harding, DeSoto County; Mrs. Mabel Ryan, DeSoto County; Lloyd M. Lilly, Glades County; Otis W. Garland, Hardee County; Reverend Kenneth R. Bain, Hardee County; Mrs. Wade Hampton, Hendry County; Mrs. J. A. McGehee, Hendry County; Mrs. L. M. Moseley, Highlands County; Mrs. Zvon M. Seron, Highlands County; Sam W. Johnston, Lee County; Judge W. H. Tucker, Manatee County; R. Alvis Reynolds, Manatee County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 161,468.50	\$ 31,114.00	\$ 6,790.50	\$ 199,373.00
August	162,336.50	32,400.50	6,822.50	201,559.50
September	161,024.00	33,531.50	6,851.50	201,407.00
October	163,713.00	34,299.00	6,909.00	204,921.00
November	165,708.50	35,411.50	6,965.50	208,085.50
December	166,959.00	35,565.50	7,012.50	209,537.00
January 1954	166,550.00	35,669.50	6,962.50	209,182.00
February	167,275.50	35,963.00	7,048.00	210,286.50
March	167,539.50	36,718.00	6,848.00	211,105.50
April	167,933.50	36,504.00	7,042.00	211,479.50
May	168,652.50	37,694.50	7,019.00	213,366.00
June	169,883.00	37,982.00	7,037.50	214,902.50
TOTAL	\$1,989,043.50	\$ 422,853.00	\$ 83,308.50	\$2,495,205.00



# District IX

Headquarters: Miami

Director: Miss Elizabeth Fike

Board Members: Thomas B. Duff, Chairman; Phillip G. Bari, Vice Chairman; Mrs. James L. Anderson; Mrs. John A. Baker; Mrs. Garland M. Budd; Mrs. Frank Dowling; Reverend John E. Culmer; Mrs. Louis Glasser; Mrs. Adrian Jacobs; George J. Jones; Henry H. Meador; Mrs. Stanley C. Myers; Mrs. Earle M. Rader; Harry Zukernick; Reverend Lloyd Whyte; Dr. Thomas J. Wood; all of Dade County, and Reverend Ralph Rogers; Mrs. Mervin Russell; of Monroe County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 256,944.00	\$ 81,919.00	\$ 10,199.00	\$ 349,062.00
August	257,932.50	83,557.00	10,211.00	351,700.50
September	255,344.50	83,899.00	9,969.50	349,213.00
October	261,429.00	84,435.50	10,052.50	355,917.00
November	262,291.50	84,351.50	10,116.50	356,759.50
December	266,294.00	85,980.00	10,075.00	362,349.00
January 1954	268,018.50	84,711.00	10,197.50	362,927.00
February	269,479.00	83,026.00	10,095.00	362,600.00
March	273,344.00	83,599.00	10,234.50	367,177.50
April	274,009.00	84,189.50	10,094.00	368,292.50
May	276,663.00	84,000.50	10,101.00	370,764.50
June	279,143.50	85,942.50	9,993.50	375,079.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,200,892.50</b>	<b>\$1,009,610.50</b>	<b>\$121,339.00</b>	<b>\$4,331,842.00</b>

# District X

Headquarters: West Palm Beach

Director: Miss Ruth Schad

Board Members: Thomas E. Penick, Chairman, Palm Beach County; Mrs. Helen T. Tedder, Vice Chairman, Palm Beach County; Mrs. Mary McEwen, Broward County; Mrs. Margaret Pruitt, Broward County; Mrs. Polly Shand, Broward County; Joseph P. Reilly, Indian River County; Mrs. Ann Keen, Indian River County; J. W. Berry, Martin County; Mrs. Hiram Raulerson, Okeechobee County; Mrs. Clyde Christopher, Okeechobee County; Mrs. Grady H. Brantley, Palm Beach County; J. B. Evans, Palm Beach County; Mrs. Doris Sasser, Palm Beach County; Mrs. Mary Hodges, Broward County; Mrs. Frank M. Bradley, St. Lucie County; Mrs. Annie M. Nobles, St. Lucie County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 155,584.00	\$ 57,113.00	\$ 8,322.00	\$ 221,019.00
August	158,180.00	59,935.00	8,468.00	226,583.00
September	156,112.00	60,976.50	8,369.00	225,457.50
October	159,237.00	62,826.00	8,539.50	230,602.50
November	160,000.50	62,456.00	8,377.50	230,834.00
December	159,325.00	61,956.50	8,333.00	229,614.50
January 1954	159,300.50	59,869.00	8,092.50	227,262.00
February	159,328.50	57,686.00	8,084.50	225,099.00
March	160,037.00	58,021.00	8,060.00	226,118.00
April	160,785.00	58,791.00	8,188.50	227,764.50
May	161,632.50	59,856.00	8,305.50	229,794.00
June	163,027.50	62,433.00	8,390.00	233,850.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,912,549.50</b>	<b>\$ 721,919.00</b>	<b>\$ 99,530.00</b>	<b>\$2,733,998.50</b>



# District XI

Headquarters: Leesburg

Director: Mrs. Marion M. Kalashian

Board Members: Merrill M. Shaw, Chairman, Marion County; Mrs. R. F. E. Cooke, Lake County; Mrs. Glenn L. Brown, Lake County; Henry Gatrell, Marion County; Mrs. Bess O'Neill, Polk County; John W. Calvin, Polk County; Kingswood Sprott, Polk County; B. J. Langston, Polk County; Mrs. Elmer Boring, Sumter County; Mrs. T. Noble Brown, Sumter County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 285,544.00	\$ 92,012.00	\$ 15,872.00	\$ 393,428.00
August	286,919.00	92,520.50	15,531.50	394,971.00
September	284,071.00	94,061.00	15,076.50	393,208.50
October	289,893.50	92,949.50	15,018.50	397,861.50
November	294,117.50	91,524.00	15,083.00	400,724.50
December	295,957.50	91,613.00	14,916.00	402,486.50
January 1954	295,539.00	90,883.00	14,720.00	401,142.00
February	297,351.50	90,741.50	14,315.00	402,408.00
March	298,338.50	90,454.50	14,184.50	402,977.50
April	300,492.50	90,187.50	14,020.50	404,700.50
May	301,617.00	91,428.00	13,852.50	406,897.50
June	303,618.00	92,039.50	13,643.50	409,301.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,533,459.00</b>	<b>\$1,100,414.00</b>	<b>\$176,233.50</b>	<b>\$4,810,106.50</b>

# District XII

Headquarters: Orlando

Director: Miss Anne Curtright

Board Members: Reverend H. L. Webb, Chairman, Osceola County; W. O. B. Chittenden, Brevard County; Lang W. Goodyear, Brevard County; T. E. Triplett, Orange County; Mrs. W. A. Pattishall, Orange County; W. F. Cappleman, Orange County; Dr. Charles H. Damsel, Orange County; Mrs. P. K. Weaver, Osceola County; Mrs. Mary Holler, Seminole County; George W. Morgan, Seminole County; George I. Fullerton, Volusia County; Frank McCabe, Volusia County; Paul Fearington, Volusia County.

## MONTHLY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

Month	Old Age Assistance	Aid to Dependent Children	Aid to the Blind	Total
July 1953	\$ 320,927.50	\$ 126,180.50	\$ 11,826.50	\$ 458,934.50
August	323,144.00	127,901.50	11,798.00	462,843.50
September	318,595.00	128,068.00	11,727.50	458,390.50
October	325,168.50	128,062.50	11,701.00	464,932.00
November	325,993.00	128,877.00	11,732.50	466,602.50
December	328,555.50	130,065.00	11,617.50	470,238.00
January 1954	328,651.00	126,348.50	11,386.00	466,385.50
February	329,324.00	127,300.00	11,297.50	467,921.50
March	329,496.50	127,899.00	11,264.00	468,659.50
April	330,589.50	129,386.00	11,369.50	471,345.00
May	332,532.50	130,840.00	11,313.00	474,685.50
June	335,163.00	132,809.00	11,350.00	479,322.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,928,140.00</b>	<b>\$1,543,737.00</b>	<b>\$138,383.00</b>	<b>\$5,610,260.00</b>